Amendments to the claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-16 (Cancelled).

17. (Previously presented) A compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof:

(l)

wherein:

R^A is an optionally substituted bicyclic heterocyclic ring system selected from quinolin-4-yl, isoquinolin-5-yl, quinolin-8-yl, thieno[3,2-b]pyridin-7-yl, 2,3-dihydro-[1,4]dioxino[2,3-b]pyridin-8-yl, quinoxalin-5-yl, isoquinolin-8-yl, [1,6]-naphthyridin-4-yl, 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoxalin-5-yl or 1,2-dihydroisoquinoline-8-yl wherein each ring is independently C-substituted with 0-3 groups R¹ and/or R^{1a};

R¹ and R^{1a} are independently hydrogen; hydroxy; (C_{1-6}) alkoxy optionally substituted by (C_{1-6}) alkoxy, amino, piperidyl, guanidino or amidino any of which is optionally N-substituted by one or two (C_{1-6}) alkyl, acyl or (C_{1-6}) alkylsulphonyl groups, CONH₂, hydroxy, (C_{1-6}) alkylthio, heterocyclylthio, heterocyclyloxy, arylthio, aryloxy, acylthio, acyloxy or (C_{1-6}) alkylsulphonyloxy; (C_{1-6}) alkoxy-substituted (C_{1-6}) alkyl; hydroxy (C_{1-6}) alkyl; halogen; (C_{1-6}) alkyl; (C_{1-6}) alkylthio; trifluoromethyl; trifluoromethoxy; cyano; carboxy; nitro; azido; acyl; acyloxy; acylthio; (C_{1-6}) alkylsulphonyl; (C_{1-6}) alkylsulphoxide; arylsulphonyl; arylsulphoxide or an amino, piperidyl, guanidino or amidino group optionally N-substituted by one or two (C_{1-6}) alkyl, acyl or (C_{1-6}) alkylsulphonyl groups, or when Z^3 and the adjacent atom are CR^1 and CR^{1a} , CR^1 and CR^{1a} and $CR^{$

provided that

(i) when R^A is optionally substituted quinolin-4-yl: it is unsubstituted in the 6-position; or

it is substituted by at least one hydroxy (C_{1-6})alkyl, cyano or carboxy group at the 2-, 5-, 6-, 7- or 8-position;

 R^2 is hydrogen, or (C_{1-4}) alkyl or (C_{2-4}) alkenyl optionally substituted with 1 to 3 groups selected from: amino optionally substituted by one or two (C₁₋₄)alkyl groups; carboxy; (C₁₋ Δ)alkoxycarbonyl; (C₁₋₄)alkylcarbonyl; (C₂₋₄)alkenyloxycarbonyl; (C₂₋ 4) alkenylcarbonyl; aminocarbonyl wherein the amino group is optionally substituted by hydroxy, (C₁₋₄)alkyl, hydroxy(C₁₋₄)alkyl, aminocarbonyl(C₁₋₄)alkyl, (C₂₋ △)alkenyl, (C₁₋₄)alkylsulphonyl, trifluoromethylsulphonyl, (C₂₋₄)alkenylsulphonyl, (C_{1-4}) alkoxycarbonyl, (C_{1-4}) alkylcarbonyl, (C_{2-4}) alkenyloxycarbonyl or (C_{2-4}) 4) alkenylcarbonyl; cyano; tetrazolyl; 2-oxo-oxazolidinyl optionally substituted by R¹⁰; 3-hydroxy-3-cyclobutene-1,2-dione-4-yl; 2,4-thiazolidinedione-5-yl; tetrazol-5ylaminocarbonyl; 1,2,4-triazol-5-yl optionally substituted by R¹⁰; 5-oxo-1,2,4oxadiazol-3-yl; halogen; (C₁₋₄)alkylthio; trifluoromethyl; hydroxy optionally substituted by (C_{1-4}) alkyl, (C_{2-4}) alkenyl, (C_{1-4}) alkoxycarbonyl, (C_{1-4}) alkylcarbonyl, (C₂₋₄)alkenyloxycarbonyl, (C₂₋₄)alkenylcarbonyl; oxo; (C₁₋₄)alkylsulphonyl; (C₂₋ △)alkenylsulphonyl; or (C₁₋₄)aminosulphonyl wherein the amino group is optionally substituted by (C₁₋₄)alkyl or (C₂₋₄)alkenyl;

 ${\sf R}^3$ is hydrogen; or

R³ is in the 2-, 3- or 4-position and is:

trifluoromethyl; carboxy; (C_{1-6}) alkoxycarbonyl; (C_{2-6}) alkenyloxycarbonyl; aminocarbonyl wherein the amino group is optionally substituted by hydroxy, (C_{1-6}) alkyl, hydroxy (C_{1-6}) alkyl, aminocarbonyl (C_{1-6}) alkyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenyl, (C_{1-6}) alkylsulphonyl, trifluoromethylsulphonyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenylsulphonyl, (C_{1-6}) alkoxycarbonyl, (C_{1-6}) alkylcarbonyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenyloxycarbonyl or (C_{2-6}) alkenylcarbonyl and optionally further substituted by (C_{1-6}) alkyl, hydroxy (C_{1-6}) alkyl, aminocarbonyl (C_{1-6}) alkyl or (C_{2-6}) alkenyl; cyano; tetrazolyl; 2-oxo-oxazolidinyl optionally substituted by (C_{1-6}) alkyl, (C_{1-6}) alkyl or (C_{2-6}) alkenyl; (C_{1-6}) alkyl optionally substituted by (C_{1-6}) alkyl or 5-oxo-1,2,4-oxadiazol-3-yl; or (C_{1-4}) alkyl or ethenyl optionally substituted with any of the substituents listed above for (C_{1-4}) and/or 0 to 2 groups (C_{1-6}) alkoxycarbonyl; (C_{1-6}) alkenylcarbonyl

halogen; (C₁₋₆)alkylthio; trifluoromethyl; (C₁₋₆)alkoxycarbonyl; (C₁₋₆)alkylcarbonyl; (C₂₋₆)alkenyloxycarbonyl; (C₂₋₆)alkenyloxycarbonyl; hydroxy optionally substituted by (C₁₋₆)alkyl, (C₂₋₆)alkenyl, (C₁₋₆)alkoxycarbonyl, (C₁₋₆)alkylcarbonyl, (C₂₋₆)alkenyloxycarbonyl, (C₂₋₆)alkenyloxycarbonyl or aminocarbonyl wherein the

amino group is optionally substituted by (C_{1-6}) alkyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenyl, (C_{1-6}) alkylcarbonyl or (C_{2-6}) alkenylcarbonyl; amino optionally mono- or disubstituted by (C_{1-6}) alkoxycarbonyl, (C_{1-6}) alkylcarbonyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenyloxycarbonyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenylcarbonyl, (C_{1-6}) alkyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenylcarbonyl, (C_{1-6}) alkyl, (C_{1-6}) alkylsulphonyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenylsulphonyl or aminocarbonyl wherein the amino group is optionally substituted by (C_{1-6}) alkyl or (C_{2-6}) alkenyl; aminocarbonyl wherein the amino group is optionally substituted by (C_{1-6}) alkyl, hydroxy (C_{1-6}) alkyl, aminocarbonyl (C_{1-6}) alkyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenyl, (C_{2-6}) alkenylcarbonyl and optionally further substituted by (C_{1-6}) alkyl, hydroxy (C_{1-6}) alkyl, aminocarbonyl (C_{1-6}) alkyl or (C_{2-6}) alkenyl; oxo; (C_{1-6}) alkylsulphonyl; (C_{2-6}) alkenylsulphonyl; or (C_{1-6}) alkyl or (C_{2-6}) alkenylsulphonyl wherein the amino group is optionally substituted by (C_{1-6}) alkyl or (C_{2-6}) alkenyl; or

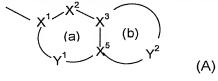
R³ is in the 2-position and is oxo; or

 R^3 is in the 3-position and is fluorine, amino optionally substituted by a group selected from hydroxy, $(\mathsf{C}_{1\text{-}6})$ alkylsulphonyl, trifluoromethylsulphonyl, $(\mathsf{C}_{2\text{-}6})$ alkenylsulphonyl, $(\mathsf{C}_{1\text{-}6})$ alkylcarbonyl, $(\mathsf{C}_{2\text{-}6})$ alkenylcarbonyl, $(\mathsf{C}_{1\text{-}6})$ alkenylcarbonyl, $(\mathsf{C}_{1\text{-}6})$ alkenylcarbonyl, $(\mathsf{C}_{2\text{-}6})$ alkenylcarbonyl, $(\mathsf{C}_{2\text{-}6})$ alkenylcarbonyl, in addition when R^3 is disubstituted with a hydroxy or amino containing substituent and carboxy containing substituent these may together form a cyclic ester or amide linkage, respectively;

R⁴ is a group -U-R⁵ where

U is selected from CO, SO₂ and CH₂ and

R⁵ is an optionally substituted bicyclic heterocyclic ring system (A):



wherein:

X³ and X⁵ are C;

ring (a) is optionally substituted pyrido in which X^1 is C, X^2 is N, and Y^1 is a 2 atom linker group each atom of which is independently selected from CR¹⁴; and

ring (b) is non-aromatic, Y^2 is a 4 atom linker group wherein $S(O)_X$ is bonded to X^5 , NR^{13} is bonded via N to X^3 and the other atoms are independently selected from $CR^{14}R^{15}$:

each of R¹⁴ and R¹⁵ is independently selected from: H; (C₁₋₄)alkylthio; halo; carboxy(C₁₋₄)alkyl; halo(C₁₋₄)alkoxy; halo(C₁₋₄)alkyl; (C₁₋₄)alkyl; (C₂₋₄)alkenyl; (C₁₋₄)alkoxycarbonyl; formyl; (C₁₋₄)alkylcarbonyl; (C₂₋₄)alkenyloxycarbonyl; (C₂₋₄)alkenyloxycarbonyl; (C₂₋₄)alkenyloxycarbonyl; (C₁₋₄)alkyl; hydroxy; hydroxy(C₁₋₄)alkyl; mercapto(C₁₋₄)alkyl; (C₁₋₄)alkoxy; nitro; cyano; carboxy; amino or aminocarbonyl optionally substituted as for corresponding substituents in R³; (C₁₋₄)alkylsulphonyl; (C₂₋₄)alkenylsulphonyl; or aminosulphonyl wherein the amino group is optionally mono- or di-substituted by (C₁₋₄)alkyl or (C₂₋₄)alkenyl; aryl; aryl(C₁₋₄)alkyl; aryl(C₁₋₄)alkoxy or R¹⁴ and R¹⁵ may together represent oxo;

each R^{13} is independently H; trifluoromethyl; (C_{1-4}) alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, (C_{1-6}) alkoxy, (C_{1-6}) alkylthio, halo or trifluoromethyl; (C_{2-4}) alkenyl; aryl; aryl (C_{1-4}) alkyl; arylcarbonyl; heteroarylcarbonyl; (C_{1-4}) alkylcarbonyl; formyl; (C_{1-6}) alkylsulphonyl; or aminocarbonyl wherein the amino group is optionally substituted by (C_{1-4}) alkoxycarbonyl, (C_{1-4}) alkylcarbonyl, (C_{2-4}) alkenyloxycarbonyl, (C_{2-4}) alkenylcarbonyl, (C_{1-4}) alkyl or (C_{2-4}) alkenyl and optionally further substituted by (C_{1-4}) alkyl or (C_{2-4}) alkenyl;

each x is independently 0, 1 or 2;

n is 0 and AB is NR¹¹CO, CO-CR⁸R⁹, CR⁶R⁷-CO, NHR¹¹SO₂, CR⁶R⁷-SO₂ or CR⁶R⁷-CR⁸R⁹, provided that R⁸ and R⁹ are not optionally substituted hydroxy or amino and R⁶ and R⁸ do not represent a bond; or n is 1 and AB is NR¹¹CO, CO-CR⁸R⁹, CR⁶R⁷-CO, NR¹¹SO₂, CONR¹¹, CR⁶R⁷-CR⁸R⁹, O-CR⁸R⁹ or NR¹¹-CR⁸R⁹;

provided that R^6 and R^7 , and R^8 and R^9 are not both optionally substituted hydroxy or amino;

and wherein:

each of R⁶, R⁷, R⁸ and R⁹ is independently selected from: H; (C₁₋₆)alkoxy; (C₁₋₆)alkylthio; halo; trifluoromethyl; azido; (C₁₋₆)alkyl; (C₂₋₆)alkenyl; (C₁₋₆)alkoxycarbonyl; (C₁₋₆)alkylcarbonyl; (C₂₋₆)alkenyloxycarbonyl; (C₂₋₆)alkenylcarbonyl; hydroxy, amino or aminocarbonyl optionally substituted as for corresponding substituents in R³; (C₁₋₆)alkylsulphonyl; (C₂₋₆)alkenylsulphonyl; or (C₁₋₆)aminosulphonyl wherein the amino group is optionally substituted by (C₁₋₆)alkyl or (C₂₋₆)alkenyl;

or R⁶ and R⁸ together represent a bond and R⁷ and R⁹ are as above defined;

 $\rm R^{10}$ is selected from (C₁₋₄)alkyl; (C₂₋₄)alkenyl and aryl any of which may be optionally substituted by a group $\rm R^{12}$ as defined above; carboxy; aminocarbonyl wherein the amino group is optionally substituted by hydroxy, (C₁₋₆)alkyl, (C₂₋₆)alkenyl, (C₁₋₆)alkylsulphonyl, trifluoromethylsulphonyl, (C₂₋₆)alkenylsulphonyl, (C₁₋₆)alkoxycarbonyl, (C₁₋₆)alkylcarbonyl, (C₂₋₆)alkenyloxycarbonyl or (C₂₋₆)alkenylcarbonyl and optionally further substituted by (C₁₋₆)alkyl or (C₂₋₆)alkenyl; and

R¹¹ is hydrogen; trifluoromethyl, (C₁₋₆)alkyl; (C₂₋₆)alkenyl; (C₁₋₆)alkoxycarbonyl; (C₁₋₆)alkylcarbonyl; or aminocarbonyl wherein the amino group is optionally substituted by (C₁₋₆)alkoxycarbonyl, (C₁₋₆)alkylcarbonyl, (C₂₋₆)alkenylcarbonyl, (C₁₋₆)alkenylcarbonyl, (C₁₋₆)alkyl or (C₂₋₆)alkenyl and optionally further substituted by (C₁₋₆)alkyl or (C₂₋₆)alkenyl;

or where one of R^3 and R^6 , R^7 , R^8 or R^9 contains a carboxy group and the other contains a hydroxy or amino group they may together form a cyclic ester or amide linkage.

- 18. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 17 wherein R^A is optionally substituted isoquinolin-5-yl, quinolin-8-yl, thieno[3,2-b]pyridin-7-yl, 2,3-dihydro-[1,4]dioxino[2,3-b]pyridin-8-yl, quinoxalin-5-yl, isoquinolin-8-yl, [1,6]-naphthyridin-4-yl, 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoxalin-5-yl or 1,2-dihydroisoquinoline-8-yl.
- 19. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 17 wherein R¹ is H, methoxy, methyl, cyano or halogen and R^{1a} is H.
- 20. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 17 wherein R^3 is hydrogen; optionally substituted hydroxy; optionally substituted amino; halogen; (C₁₋₄)alkoxycarbonyl; CONH₂; 1-hydroxyalkyl; CH₂CO₂H; CH₂CONH₂; CONHCH₂CONH₂; 1,2-dihydroxyalkyl; CH₂CN; 2-oxo-oxazolidin-5-yl; or 2-oxo-oxazolidin-5-yl(C₁₋₄alkyl).
- 21. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 17 wherein n is 0 and A and B are both CH₂, A is CHOH and B is CH₂ or A is NH and B is CO.

- 22. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 17 wherein –U- is CH₂-.
- 23. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 17 wherein Y^2 has a group S bonded to X^5 and a group NHCO bonded via N to to X^3 .
- 24. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 17 wherein R⁵ is 3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrido[3,2-*b*][1,4]thiazin-6-yl.
- 25. (Currently amended) A compound selected from:
- 6-({(3R,4S)-3-Fluoro-1-[(R)-2-hydroxy-2-(2-methoxy-quinolin-8-yl)-ethyl]-piperidin-4-ylamino}-methyl)-4H-pyrido[3,2-b][1,4]thiazin-3-one;
- 6-({(3S,4R)-3-Fluoro-1-[(R)-2-hydroxy-2-(2-methoxy-quinolin-8-yl)-ethyl]-piperidin-4-ylamino}-methyl)-4H-pyrido[3,2-b][1,4]thiazin-3-one;
- 6-({(3R,4R)-3-Hydroxy-1-[(R)-2-hydroxy-2-(2-methoxy-quinolin-8-yl)-ethyl]-piperidin-4-ylamino}-methyl)-4H-pyrido[3,2-b][1,4]thiazin-3-one;
- 6-({(3S,4S)-3-Hydroxy-1-[(R)-2-hydroxy-2-(2-methoxy-quinolin-8-yl)-ethyl]-piperidin-4-ylamino}-methyl)-4H-pyrido[3,2-b][1,4]thiazin-3-one;
- $6-\{[(1-\{(2R/S)-2-hydroxy-2-[3-(methyloxy)-5-quinoxalinyl]ethyl\}-4-piperidinyl)amino]methyl\}-2H-pyrido[3,2-b][1,4]thiazin-3(4H)-one;$
- $6-[(\{1-[2-(4-quinolinyl)ethyl]-4-piperidinyl\}amino)methyl]-2H-pyrido[3,2-b][1,4]thiazin-3(4H)-one;$
- 4-[2-(3-hydroxy-4-{[(3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrido[3,2-*b*][1,4]thiazin-6-yl)methyl]amino}-1-piperidinyl)ethyl]-6-quinolinecarbonitrile (isomer E2); and 4-[2-(3-hydroxy-4-{[(3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrido[3,2-*b*][1,4]thiazin-6-yl)methyl]amino}-1-piperidinyl)ethyl]-6-quinolinecarbonitrile(E1 isomer); or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.
- 26. (Previously presented) A method of treatment of bacterial infections in mammals, which method comprises the administration to a mammal in need of such treatment an effective amount of a compound according to claim 17.
- 27. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 17, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 28. Canceled.
- 29. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 17 wherein R^A is unsubstituted guinolin-4-yl, or quinolin-4-yl substituted by a cyano in the 6-position.

30. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 17 wherein R^A is optionally substituted quinolin-8-yl.

- 31. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 17 wherein R^A is optionally substituted quinoxalin-5-yl.
- 32. (Previously presented) A method of treatment of bacterial infections in mammals, which method comprises the administration to a mammal in need of such treatment an effective amount of a compound according to claim 25.
- 33. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 25, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.